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Case No. 5404/104

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Keita Nishino et al.

Serial No: 10/533,183

Filed: April 28, 2005

For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING
CARBAPENEM COMPOUND FOR
ORAL ADMINISTRATION

Examiner: Mark L. Berch

Group Art Unit: 1624

Conf. No.: 4461

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Mail Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated September 6, 2007 for a period of one month(s).

Applicant is: small entity (per 37 CFR 1.27) other than small entity

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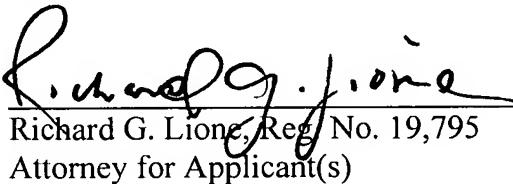
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One Month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Two Months	\$460.00	\$230.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Three Months	\$1,050.00	\$525.00
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 2, 2008


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